

# A Message from the County Manager, Jessie Levine

Hello there, Sullivan County colleagues!

As I approach my sixth month as your county manager, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for your warm welcome and assistance in breaking me into this new position. While I'm still learning the ropes of county government, it didn't take me long to see the pride and dedication that you bring to the county, and your camaraderie and support for one another. And despite its challenges in this region and in this economy, with your input and hard work, Sullivan County has managed to be innovative and forward-thinking in its decision-making, which bodes well for us and for the region as a whole. I look forward to the work we can do together to continue to make Sullivan County a great place to work and a great place to live.

I also wanted to take this opportunity to recognize our own Peter Farrand, who will be leaving us on July 11, 2014, after 17 years as Sullivan County's HR Director. The Board of Commissioners and I wish Peter all of the best in the next chapter of his life and thank him for his years of guidance and leadership for the County.

I also want to thank Jane Coplan, Program Director for the Department of Corrections, who will be retiring at the end of this month. Jane has been a critical part of the development and operation of the successful TRAILS program, and we thank her for the care and thought that she has put into that program.

Please have a safe and fun summer!

All the best, Jessie

### THANK YOU!!!!!!!

On April 26, the Sullivan County Squeakee Sneakers again came through with flying colors to support Turning Points Network and the Steppin' Up To End Violence fundraiser. This was our 8<sup>th</sup> annual fundraising walk to end domestic violence and sexual assault in our communities in Sullivan County.

Missy Currier and Carol Greenwood headed up the team that held bake sales, bingo night, and dress down days to raise money. A group of 14 walkers came out on a rainy Saturday to be part of the event. With a lot of energy and commitment the team raised an amazing \$2,985.00!

Thank you, Squeakee Sneakers and supporters from SCHC for stepping up in a big way to help raise funds for TPN again! See you next year!

We are so proud to be associated with you.

Sherrie Curtis and Nora Kells Gordon, Members, TPN Board of Directors

## **Congrats Graduates**

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all those staff and their family members that have completed their course loads at their designated schools and received their diplomas. There are several employees who have recently watched their child walk across the stage or have done so themselves, and this is worth a round of applause.

Specifically we would like to congratulate Laurie Geer, Payroll Clerk here at Sullivan County for the completion of her Bachelors Degree through Granite State College where she has majored in Business Management.

We appreciate the time and energy that you as parents or as students take in completing your education and wish you nothing but the best as you pursue your life's adventures moving forward.

~Peter & Sam

#### SCHC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

As I write this we are approaching June 21, the first day of summer. The days are long and many are planning summer vacations. I wish everyone safe travels and good cheer as we approach the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday.

On Sunday, June 8 we had our annual pancake breakfast. We estimate that over 600 meals were served. The Commissioners worked hard to keep up with the steady stream of guests and Jessie Levine, our new County Manager was able to serve and meet members of the community. There were displays from County Departments, an Antique Tractor Display, tours of the Biomass Facility and demonstration of the high tunnels by Lionel Chute, our Natural Resources Director. And we can't forget the 4-H Fashion Show, which many of our residents enjoy.

The Pancake Breakfast is always a great community event where we are able to show residents of the county what we are all about. I appreciate all of the work the dietary staff and facilities (with help from the DOC) do to put on this great event. Thanks also go to nursing, activities, and housekeeping staff for assisting residents and guests with their meals. This is a real team effort which shows the commitment to providing important services to Sullivan County. Great work everyone!

Respectfully,

Ted J. Purdy, Administrator



#### Sullivan County Community Blood Drive

Sullivan County Health Care – Ahern Building – 5 Nursing Home Drive, Unity, NH 03743

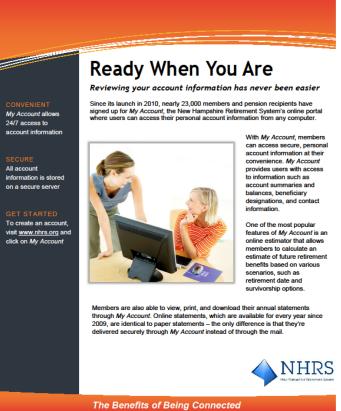
July 25, 2014 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Contact information: Tammy Porter – (603) 542-9511 ext. 234 tallo@sullivancountynh.gov

Contact Tammy to make an appointment today!

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